

## Message Text

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ACTION SS-25

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FM AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 1123  
INFO: RUTAIJ/AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN IMMEDIATE 1325  
AMEMBASSY BONN IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY DAKAR IMMEDIATE  
KINSHASA IMMEDIATE 1895  
AMEMBASSY LOME IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY LUBUMBASHI IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATE

S E C R E T LIBREVILLE 1328

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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (LAST WORD OF TEXT PARTICIPATION  
VICE JUSTIFICATION)

(CORRECTED COPY CHANGE OF LAST WORD PARA 2..DESTROY ALL PREVIOUS  
COPIES)

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINS, MOPS, EFIN, EAID, CF, FR, BE, MO, GB  
SUBJ: SHABA AFRICAN FORCE

REF: A) STATE 139907 B) LIBREVILLE 2044

1) DCM MET WITH BONGO'S ADC LT. COL NGARI 0800 THIS MORNING AND WENT  
OVER INFO CONTAINED REFTEL A. NGARI DID NOT ADD SIGNIFICANTLY TO  
WHAT HE HAD SAID LAST NIGHT EXCEPT TO REMARK HE HAD UNDERSTOOD  
FRENCH WOULD TRANSPORT GABONESE. HE INQUIRED WHETHER  
GOG WOULD NEED PROVIDE WRITTEN REQUEST FOR USG TRANSPORT OR WHETHER  
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IT COULD BE DONE ORALLY. DCM REPLIED HE THOUGH ORAL REQUEST WOULD  
BE SUFFICIENT BUT THAT THERE MUST BE A REQUEST. NGARI WANTED TO  
KNOW HOW MUCH LEAD TIME WE WOULD NEED GET AIRCRAFT TO GABON.  
DCM STATED HE COULD NOT SPEAK AUTHORITATIVELY BUT SURMISED THAT  
ABOUT TWELVE HOURS WOULD BE MINIMUM. NGARI REPEATED THAT NO  
GABONESE WOULD MOVE BEFORE MONDAY OR TUESDAY AND PROMISED TO GET  
BACK IN TOUCH AFTER MEETING WITH

PRESIDENT BONGO.

2) COMMENT: WE HAVE NOT HEARD FROM FRENCH AMBASSADOR WHETHER HE HAS CARRIED OUT HIS INSTRUCTION TO TELL GOG TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US RE TRANSPORT, AND MAY NOT IMMEDIATELY, SINCE HE TIED UP WITH VISITING MINISTER OF UNIVERSITIES. IN ANY CASE, WE PROPOSE TAKE NO FURTHER INITIATIVE UNLESS INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE BY DEPT PENDING RECEIPT OF GABONESE REQUIREST FOR TRANSPORT. GABONESE MAY STILL BE ATTEMPTING SORT OUT THEIR DEGREE OF PARTICIPATION.TIENKEN

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